

Memorandum Date: August 2, 2006

EMERGENCY
BUSINESS

TO: Board of County Commissioners

DEPARTMENT: Community & Economic Development Program

PRESENTED BY: Mike McKenzie-Bahr, C&ED Coordinator

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: DISCUSSION/IN THE MATTER OF SUPPORTING THE
OREGON SAFE DRINKING WATER REVOLVING LOAN
FUND DRAFT 2007 PROJECT PRIORITY LIST

- I. **MOTION** It is moved that the Chair is authorized, on behalf of the BCC, to sign a letter of support for the 2007 Project Priority List of the Oregon Department of Human Services Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund for the Proposed Intended Use Plan.

II. **AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

The Oregon Department of Human Services is requesting written comment from interested submitters and interested parties on or by August 14, 2006. The C&ED Program did not receive notice of this request until July 28, 2006. This post-dates the agenda item deadline for the August 2, 2006 BCC meeting. As written comments are due to the state before the next scheduled BCC meeting the C&ED Program recommends that the Board of County Commissioners send a letter of support approving the six Lane County applications listed in Attachment A.

The Oregon Department of Human Services is preparing to apply to the US Environmental Protection Agency for their SFY2007 grant under the Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund.

The Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund is a low interest loan program designed to finance drinking water system improvements needed to maintain compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act. New projects are added annually to the List based upon points. To get on the Project Priority List, a water system must submit a *Letter of Interest*.

A project submitted on a *Letter of Interest* is put on the Project Priority List for 2 years. After 2 years, a project is removed from the List unless the water system resubmits an updated *Letter of Interest*.

III. BACKGROUND/IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION

A. Board Action and Other History

The State DHS routinely lists projects classified as priorities. Lane County has six projects listed in the Draft 2007 Project Priority List. In April of 2006 the BCC approved accepting a \$10,000 Technical Assistance Grant to establish the Row River Water District in response to the impending loss of water service from the City of Cottage Grove.

B. Policy Issues

The BCC has established the policy of supporting the Row River community in seeking solutions to their impending loss of water service from the City of Cottage Grove.

C. Board Goals

This action is in support of the Board's goal of maintaining a healthy environment with regard to water quality.

D. Financial and/or Resource Considerations

There are no financial implications or considerations in this matter. C&ED is only recommending that the BCC write a Letter of Interest.

E. Analysis

A Letter of Interest from the Board of County Commissioners will demonstrate Lane County's support of the six applicants listed in the Project Priority List. There are six applications within Lane County boundaries (see Attachment A).

F. Alternatives/Options

The Board can choose not to sign a Letter of Interest in support of adopting the State's Project Priority List.

V. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION

Written comments must be received by the Oregon Department of Human Services on or by August 14, 2006.

VI. RECOMMENDATION

The C&ED Program recommends that Chair sign the attached Letter of Interest (see Attachment B).

VII. ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A – "Draft" 2007 Project Priority List for the Oregon Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund

Attachment B – Draft Letter of Interest for Board review and signature

Amount Available : Est.12,033,800

Oregon Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund
"Draft" 2007 Project Priority List

7/18/2006

ATTACHMENT A

Total of Projects:				22,127,295	"Draft" 2007 Project Priority List						7/18/2006
Applicant	Applicant Number	Population of Project Area	County	Project Description	Amount Requested	Other Funds	Total Project Cost	Amount Recommended	Cumulative Amount Recommended	Total Points	Readiness to Proceed
Oregon Utilities Co. dba	SD-07-02	139	Marion	physical connection to Heritage Water Co.	150,000	0	150,000	150,000	1,350,000	82	Jan. 2007
City of Astoria	SD-07-18	9,813	Clatsop	Reservoir 2 & 3 Improvements	2,000,000	0	2,000,000	2,000,000	21,252,295	80	Jul. 2007
City of Irigon	SD-07-13	1,900	Morrow		3,800,000	558,000	4,358,000	3,800,000	14,186,295	67	Jan. 2007
City of Junction City	SD-07-17	4,950	Lane	nitrate levels above MCL, deepen and reseat well casing Install a 40 mil NSF-61 vinyl Polyester tank liner in each reservoir to isolate the source of Benzof Pyrene a known carcinogen	50,000	0	50,000	50,000	19,252,295	65	Jan. 2007
County View Estates WS	SD-07-07	102	Lane	drill new source (well), new pump station	30,000	6,000	36,000	30,000	2,906,000	35	Apr. 2007
City of Athena	SD-07-01	1,300	Umatilla	Excessive PH and Blue-Green Algae. Design and construct flocculation/sedimentation facility, second clearwell, and permanent blue-algae elimination system.	1,200,000	0	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	33	Jan. 2007
City of Lowell	SD-07-08	920	Lane	improve chlorine contact time and residual by installing on-site hypochlorite generation equipment Install sand filter with automatic back flow	2,500,000	100,000	2,600,000	2,500,000	5,406,000	33	Mar. 2007
Tri-City Joint Water	SD-07-20	4,059	Deschutes		375,000	75,000	450,000	375,000	22,127,295	33	Jun. 2007
Fortune Branch Mobile Village	SD-07-05	44	Douglas		15,500	0	15,500	15,500	2,846,000	30	Jan. 2007
City of Loosne	SD-07-09	250	Wallowa	drill new alluvial water supply well. Build 250,000G storage reservoir design and construction of a new, better quality water supply well and pump station /provide treatment	342,295	1,333,000	1,675,295	342,295	5,748,295	30	Jan. 2007
City of North Plains	SD-07-11	490	Union	low pressure in distribution system, will undertake pressure upgrade study	1,643,000	0	1,643,000	1,643,000	8,781,295	30	Jan. 2007
City of Junction City	SD-07-16	4,950	Lane		100,000	0	100,000	100,000	19,202,295	30	Jan. 2007
City of Huntington	SD-07-12	520	Baker	design and construction of new water supply well and pump station. PRV installation, enlarge section of water main.	1,605,000	0	1,605,000	1,605,000	10,386,295	25	Jan. 2007
Wickup Water Dist	SD-07-15	1,600	Clatsop	fire hydrants, distribution mains, Phase II.	1,200,000	0	1,200,000	1,200,000	19,102,295	25	Jan. 2007
Agate Water Co.	SD-07-14	3,022	Deerbrush	employ treatment specialist to deal with iron, tannin, high turbidity, bad taste and smell.	3,716,000	0	3,716,000	3,716,000	17,902,295	23	May 2008
Brandy Bay Landing	SD-07-03	40	Douglas		100,000	0	100,000	100,000	1,450,000	22	Jan. 2007
Prairie Winds of Junction City	SD-07-08	55	Lane	Main line & Connections upgrade	30,000	0	30,000	30,000	2,880,000	20	Jan. 2007
City of Myrtle Creek	SD-07-04	3,600	Douglas	treated water storage 1.0MG	1,380,500	0	1,380,500	1,380,500	2,890,500	15	
City of Pilot Rock	SD-07-10	1,600	Wallowa	construct new pump acquire, repair, construct water system facilities in the approx. 10 mile service area, east of Cottage Grove	1,300,000	90,000	1,390,000	1,390,000	7,138,295	15	Jan. 2007
Lane County/Row River Valley	SD-07-19	300	Lane		500,000	2,200,000	2,700,000	500,000	21,752,295	12	Jun. 2007



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RE: Proposed Intended Use Plan – Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund

Dear Mr. Hall:

The Lane County Board of Commissioners wishes to express its support of the Draft 2007 Project Priority List for the Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund.

Specifically, six projects in the Draft list would provide direct and valuable benefit to our communities. Our Board strongly supports all safe drinking water projects that will improve the health and quality of life for our residents.

One of the projects, the Row River Water District, is of particular interest. The City of Cottage Grove will discontinue water service to residents in this area within two years. It is crucial that the Row River Water District establish the infrastructure necessary to provide its users with potable water.

Our Board supports the purpose and goals of the Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund Program. All six applications demonstrate measurable benefits from the technical assistance provided by these loans for planning, designing and constructing facilities to bring them into compliance with state and federal water quality standards.

Thank you for your consideration on behalf of our Lane County residents.

Sincerely,

Lane County Chair Bill Dwyer

CC: Representative Bruce Hanna; Senator Floyd Prozanski